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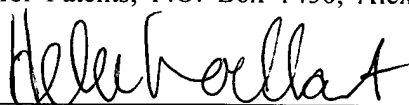
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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following:

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 6